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Honorable Commissioner:

In response to the Examiner's Office Action dated October 11, 2001, Applicants have attached hereto a Terminal Disclaimer to obviate a double patenting rejection of all of th currently pending claims in the above-referenced patent application, namely claims 20 and 23-31, over prior Patent No. 6,227,946.

Applicants believe the attached Terminal Disclaimer places this application in condition for allowance and earnestly solicit such allowance. Should the Examiner have any furth r questions or requirements regarding this application, then the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the Examiner's convenience.

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